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Bangalore
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Dear Mr Turner.

In connection with the vacancy in Council which will be caused by the retirement of Mr Banerjee in the Madras Service next month. I was in fact hope that my legitimate claims in the place will not be overlooked and that I would get it in the usual course. But of late I have been hearing various rumours which have made me feel uneasy in mind. I am therefore taking the liberty of writing this to you and enquire you to Encourage me for it.

As you are aware I Entered Service in 1892 after having the first civil Service Examⁿ held in that year. I have thus put in a Service of nearly 30 Years during the course of which I have

I believe I am justified in claiming for myself
in the discharge of my duties here have also
enjoyed the confidence ~~of this~~ and esteem of the
public. In all my long service, there has not
been a single occasion or instance in which
I have been found fault with or even cen-
sured or reprimanded, in respect of my work
in any capacity: and this is a record of
which not many in the service can boast.
I may say with pardonable pride that
when I was Deputy Head, as also on another
occasion our Sovereign was graciously pleased to
express his appreciation of my good work; and
later as a member of the Heads of Depts
Committee
Dept ~~Committee~~ here of Com Duties in 1915.

as which it is the Jawarajas & Sirimavo's part were also known. For Vishvanatha complemented me on my work as Dep^y Com^r & asked him this Dep^y Com^r to emulate my example. I have always tried to place my duty above personal interests; and it was this which though it was to cause a my first misunderstanding with Sir Visvanatha when I was Secretary under him, won for me later on, when he came to know me better, his friendship & warm appreciation & support. as Dep^y Com^r, I.G.P. and Rev Com^r.

My colleague Sir Chandrasekaram Ar who passed his Civil Service ~~exam~~ in the same year as myself now occupies his rank & position & is senior member & ~~Executive~~ Council. I am, next to him, the most senior officer in Service in the Judicial line. On a previous occasion when there was a vacancy in his Council in 1918 I was

passed over in favor of Mr Banerji
who was my junior; but I was
assured by Mr Banerji who was then
officiating as Dewan that it was due
not to any shortcomings on my part but to other
considerations. Now that another vacancy
will soon be occurring. If I am, as my offe
& with my record of service, to be again
passed over, you may imagine what
a great disappointment & heavy blow it
will be to me.

I am quite aware that a high
& responsible appointment like that
of member of Council does not fall to every
one's share or can be asked for; but I,
nevertheless. I have made bold to urge

my claims to [illegible] place. If it be cause I have not, to the best of my belief, given cause of any fault for our financial embarrassments to render me unworthy of this place: and also because I am confident that, if I am given a chance, I shall, with my long & varied experience, be able to render useful service in the present financial position and Earn the approbation of His Highness in the discharge of my work

It was my first intention to [illegible] an interview with His Highness so that I might personally lay my humble representations before him; but on second thought, I felt doubtful if that would be the right thing for me. I have made bold to write this

to you so that if you do not see anything improper or unreasonable in my representation. You may submit it for the gracious consideration of this Legislature.

Your servant,

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